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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVENTING THE PROPAGATION OF INPUT/OUTPUT ERRORS IN  
A LOGICAL PARTITIONED DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

the specification of which (check one)

is attached hereto.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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